

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PROBATION DEPARTMENT

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March 21, 2011

TO:

Each Supervisor

FROM:

Donald H. Blevins
Chief Probation Officer

SUBJECT: INJURY TO MINOR

This is to advise your Board of an injury that was sustained by a probationer on AWOL status. On March 18, 2011, at approximately 5 P.M. Probation was notified that minor Christopher S. sustained major injuries from a vehicle accident earlier in the day. According to preliminary reports, minor Christopher S. went AWOL from the group home on October 29, 2010. A request for bench warrant was subsequently submitted on the same day, which was issued by the court on November 4, 2010. On March 18, 2011, Christopher S. and an unidentified friend were riding on a "mini bike" when they were struck by a truck. The friend expired at the scene and Christopher S. was transported to the hospital where he underwent emergency surgery.

Currently Christopher S. is being supervised by Probation staff while he is recovering at the hospital and will be transported back to juvenile hall upon release. The minor's family is aware of the incident and has visited him at the hospital. The court will be notified Monday morning of the incident.

This matter is under review and will be investigated. A report from local enforcement is pending. Should there be any significant findings, we will inform your Board.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Bureau Chief Dave Mitchell, Placement Services Bureau, at (562) 940-2663.

DHB:DM:hw

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